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Amelia Island Writers

What are podcasts? Why are they important to writers? Join us on Tuesday, February 25 for All About Podcasts with Dr. Diann Schindler. As an established podcast host, Diann will show us how she assembles a podcast, including her unique music choices. She will tell us how and where to locate podcasts, and share one of her own podcast shows.



Podcasts: Who, What, When, Where, Why.

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Fernandina. Coffee, snacks and more. Diann is a wine connoisseur, so there will be wine... Closer to the date, a meeting reminder will be sent with details. More about Diann at: <http://www.diannabroad.com>

Check your writer's website calendar for focus group changes. Eclectic Critique is now the third Thursday, and work schedule may alter Writing for Stage and Screen.

<http://www.ameliaislandwriters.org>

Local author book launches and events this month:

Story and Song Bookstore Bistro:

- Sunday, Feb. 16, 4 pm - "Mango Rains" with Anne Oman
- Monday, Feb. 17, 11 am - "Saving Fernandina" with Suanne Thamm
- Friday, Feb. 21, 10 am - "History of American Beach," and "The American Beach Cookbook" with Marsha Dean Phelts

The Book Loft:

- Monday, Feb. 17, 10 am - Young Readers Event, followed by book signing. In celebration of Presidents' Day, Eileen Meyer acquaints us with Abe Lincoln's life, habits, quirks and more in "The Superlative A. Lincoln, Poems About Our 16th President."

How fortunate we are to have two independent bookstores!

Thank you, Story and Song and The Book Loft, for the variety of programs you provide.



Find your way to three book festivals this month.

1. Amelia Island Book Festival, Feb. 13-15.
<http://www.ameliaislandbookfestival.org>

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3. Jax Book Fest, Jacksonville. Make Good Use of the extra February day in this Leap Year, Feb. 29.

<http://www.jaxpubliclibrary.org>

Author headliners, local authors, children's and youth programs, writer workshops and more are featured programs of these festivals.

Amelia's honorary chair is David Baldacci. His newest release is "A Minute to Midnight." <http://www.davidbaldacci.com>

Savannah headliners include John Grisham, whose latest book is "The Guardians." <http://www.jgrisham.com>

Joseph Kanon's new book is, "The Accomplice." Joseph opens the festival. <http://www.josephkanon.com>

Brad Meltzer, whose newest book is "The First Conspiracy," is one of the featured authors at Jax Book Fest. Writers can learn a lot just by visiting each of these prolific, award winning author websites, seeing them in person is even better. <http://www.bradmeltzer.com>

Send your upcoming events, book launches, workshops, etc. in advance to be included in our monthly newsletter. Send awards so that we can celebrate with you. Questions and suggestions always welcome to Marla at: divinemissmm@yahoo.com or Michael at: mstokes@fernandinabeachlife.com. Membership in Florida Writers is not required to participate in our local programs.



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William Wordsworth**

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